

CITY OF STEINBACH  
Regular Council Meeting  
December 5, 2023

MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of City of Steinbach Council held on Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at City of Steinbach Council Chambers.

2. Mayor Earl Funk called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., with the following members of Council present: Damian Penner, Jac Siemens and Michael Zwaagstra. Also present Manager, Corporate Services, Adam Thiessen and City Clerk, Amanda Dubois.

3. Councillor Michael Zwaagstra opened the meeting.

R23-239 4. Councillor D. Penner, Councillor J. Siemens RESOLVED that the agenda be adopted.

-Un. Carried-

R23-240 5. Councillor J. Siemens, Councillor M. Zwaagstra RESOLVED that the minutes of the November 21, 2023, Regular Council Meeting be approved.

-Un. Carried-

R23-241 6. Councillor D. Penner, Council M. Zwaagstra RESOLVED that Councillor B. Hiebert, Councillor S. Penner and Councillor J. Hiebert be excused from the meeting.

-Un. Carried-

7. Council meeting recessed and Public Hearing was called to order at 7:36 p.m., by Mayor Earl Funk. Public Hearing was to consider Variance V-2023-24.

Variance V-2023-24

Owner/Applicant: 10027732 Manitoba Inc.

Civic Address: 48 Market Boulevard

Legal: Parcel G Plan 68630

Purpose: To permit a rear yard setback of nineteen feet whereas multi-family buildings within the "C-MX" Commercial Mixed-Use Zone requires a minimum setback of twenty-five feet.

7.1 Adam Thiessen, Manager, Corporate Services introduced Variance V-2023-24 and reported that notices pursuant to The Planning Act had been completed.

7.2 Keith Unger, 122 Granite Park Boulevard was present at the public hearing and was prepared to answer questions of Council.

7.3 There being no further discussion Council meeting re-opened at 7:43 p.m.

R23-242 8. Councillor M. Zwaagstra, Councillor J. Siemens RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach approve Variance V-2023-24.

-Un. Carried-

R23-243 9. Councillor D. Penner, Councillor J. Siemens RESOLVED that the following accounts be approved for payment:

Accounts Payable (November 15, 2023)	\$	652,993.73
Bi-weekly Pay Period No. 24 (November 21, 2023)	\$	256,509.56

-Un. Carried-

R23-244 10. Councillor M. Zwaagstra, Councillor D. Penner

WHEREAS Section 163 of The Municipal Act states a council may adopt an interim operating budget, for that part of the year prior to the adoption of the operating budget for the fiscal year.

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach adopt the following interim operating budget for 2024:

General Government Services	\$ 700,000
Protective Services	\$ 1,100,000
Transportation Services	\$ 800,000
Environmental Health Services	\$ 600,000
Public Health & Welfare	\$ 30,000
Environmental Development	\$ 40,000
Economic Development	\$ 30,000
Recreation Services	\$ 700,000
Fiscal Services	\$ 10,000,000
Capital Equipment	\$ 1,000,000
Water Utility (Operating)	\$ 900,000

-Un. Carried-

R23-245 11. Councillor J. Siemens, Councillor D. Penner

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Steinbach be authorized to borrow up to \$8,000,000.00 from the Royal Bank of Canada (*hereinafter referred to as "the Bank"*) during 2024 for operating expenses, and to pay or agree to pay interest thereon, or on so much thereof as remains from time to time paid, calculated at the Bank's prime interest rate per annum in effect from time to time minus 0.25% per annum, as well after as before maturity default and judgement, with interest on overdue interest at the same rate as the principal.

THAT the amount so borrowed with interest aforesaid be evidenced by either of the following means:

(a) by one or more promissory notes under the seal of the corporation and signed by the Mayor and one of the following the City Manager or the Senior Manager, Finance thereof and given to the Bank; or

(b) by overdraft on the account of the corporation with the Bank by cheques signed by the Mayor and one of the following the City Manager or the Senior Manager, Finance thereof.

THAT the Corporation hereby mortgages, assigns, transfers, pledges and hypothecates to the said Bank the taxes of the Corporation for the present year for municipal, school or the purposes of the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs as additional security for the repayment of the amount so borrowed for any of such respective purposes.

THAT the Corporation shall deposit said taxes with the Bank as collected in a special account as collateral security for payment of the amount so borrowed and interest, but the Bank shall not be restricted to the said taxes for payment of the sum borrowed hereunder, nor shall it be bound to wait for repayment of said sum until said taxes are collected, or be required to see that they are deposited or applied as aforesaid.

THAT the amount so borrowed and interest shall be payable within the current fiscal year.

THAT the Mayor and one of the following the City Manager or the Senior Manager, Finance are hereby authorized to give to the said Bank in the name, on behalf of and under the seal of the Corporation as security for the moneys so borrowed, and interest thereon, a covenant or agreement containing a clause that all taxes levied or to be levied by the Corporation for the present year be and they are thereby pledged, hypothecated, mortgaged, transferred and assigned to the Bank as security for said loan and interest thereon and are charged as a first charge with repayment of such loan and interest, or a clause to like effect; and that said taxes shall be deposited forthwith on being collected in the Bank to the credit of the Corporation in a special account as collateral security for said advance.

-Un. Carried-

R23-246 12. Councillor D. Penner, Councillor M. Zwaagstra RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 326 of The Municipal Act, the supplementary realty taxes, as presented be added to the 2023 assessment roll in the amount of \$1,375,974.97. (list attached)

-Un. Carried-

R23-247 13. Councillor J. Siemens, Councillor M. Zwaagstra RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 326 of The Municipal Act, the supplementary realty taxes, as presented be cancelled from the 2023 assessment roll in the amount of -\$113,247.53. (list attached)

-Un. Carried-

14. A letter and year end partnership request from Youth for Christ were acknowledged.  
Received as information.

15. Minutes of the Jake Epp Library of September 27, 2023 & November 15, 2023 were acknowledged.  
Received as information.

16. Minutes of the Seine Rat Roseau Watershed District of October 17, 2023 and November 3, 2023 were acknowledged.  
Received as information.

17. Correspondence and infrastructure funding in the amount of (\$1,365,206.52) from the Minister of Municipal and Northern Relations regarding Rural Strategic Infrastructure Funding were acknowledged.  
Received as information.

18. Councillor D. Penner, Councillor J. Siemens RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned.

-Un. Carried-

Time of adjournment: 7:53 p.m.

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Mayor

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City Manager